Dear Parents and Carers,  

November 19, 2015

This week I have had the pleasure of meeting with our beginning teachers and their mentors. This year we welcomed eight young and enthusiastic individuals to the school environment as teachers. In their first year of teaching they are basically on “P” plates in terms of registration status as a teacher (provisional registration). In order to satisfy the requirements of full registration they are required to present evidence of their work as a teacher, with the support of another teacher: their “mentor”.

Some of the key messages I heard this week were that our new teachers want more than a job. They want to experience success and they want to contribute to a group where they make a difference. They see our children as central to the core business of their work and most importantly they see themselves as learners.

The quality of these initial experiences in the early years of their teaching career has long-term implications on their capacity and quality of the learning and teaching our children experience in our schools. I believe our children are in good hands. Congratulations to our beginning teachers. Next year they can remove the P plates.

**Birthday wishes to all these children who celebrated their birthday this week:** William 3S, Jordan 4D, Ricky 4D, Jhanvi 5R, Mason 2M, Alanah 6A, Angad 4C, Declan Prep T, Sebastian 5C, Dayvid 1L, Nathan 1B, Ella 3T, Donika 4D,

**Book Orders and Levies for 2016** - A letter outlining fee and levy accounts for 2016 has been sent to all families and you are required to organise levy payment from week beginning 23rd November prior to collection of stationery, or if you have a payment plan in place you are need to speak to Julie at the office to confirm your 2016 plan.

If you wish to commence a payment plan just call in to the office. Stationery collection day will occur on **Wednesday 2nd December (Pupil free day)** between 8.00am – 4:15pm.

**Carols Night:** Maybe our lawn is fake but our Carols are all sung by real live performers, so please keep Tuesday 1st December free for our annual Carols Night presentation (don’t forget to ask nanna and pa). Organization is underway and Ms Torzillo has set the bar high after last year’s Night. As has been the tradition at Our Lady’s, Carols will commence at 7.00pm but we invite families to come earlier and share a picnic meal with their family.

Have a great weekend

Paul McEntee  
Principal
**IMPORTANT DATES**

Monday 16th November  
**Year 3T & 3B Excursion to Scienceworks**

Monday 23rd November  
**Prep Excursion to Bundoora Park Farm**

Tuesday 1st December  
School Carols – Commences 7:00pm (Arrive @ 6:00pm)

Wednesday 2nd December  
**CURRICULUM DAY - SCHOOL CLOSURE**

Wednesday 2nd December  
Bookselling Day 8:00am – 4:15pm

Thursday 3rd December  
Choir Performance @ Craigieburn Central

Monday 7th December  
Reports go Home

Tuesday 8th December  
Parent / Teacher Interviews 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Thursday 10th December  
Parent / Teacher Interviews 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Friday 11th December  
**Year 6 Excursion to Funfields**

Monday 14th December  
Meet the Class 11:45am

Tuesday 15th December  
Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday 16th December  
**End of Year Mass 9:15am – All Welcome**

Wednesday 16th December  
Last day of Term 4 – School finishes 3:30pm

Thursday 28th January  
**Term 1 commences (Preps until 1:00pm & Friday 1:00pm)**

Monday 1st February  
**Preps commence full time**

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**Religious Education News**  
Mary McCormick, R.E. Leader

**School Masses:**

This term we won’t have a class mass each week. Below are the dates for the class and whole school masses.

- **Nov. 20th**: Year 5 & 6
- **Nov. 27th**: Whole school Advent Mass No. 1
- **Dec. 4th**: Whole school Advent Mass No. 2
- **Dec. 11th**: Whole school Advent Mass No. 3
- **Dec. 16th**: Whole school End of Year mass.

*All families welcome to attend these masses. Morning tea is available after mass.*

**Making JESUS Real Awards (MJR)**

The Making Jesus Real award is awarded to students at assembly to students who do the ‘everyday’ things that make Jesus ‘real’ in our school. You will notice that none of the actions listed below are ‘heroic’ or ‘superhuman’! They are just ways that we make the love of Jesus present in our community. These students comfort, help, give dignity, show respect and make people feel included, just like Jesus did.

**Making JESUS real awards have been awarded to:**

**Isabel (Prep E)** for the way she helps her peers in the classroom.

**Mariyah (Prep T)** for the way she always offers to help teachers and classmates.

**Antonio (1L)** for the way he shows kindness to others and compliments them to make them feel happy.

**Bethany (1B)** for the way she cares and supports others when they are feeling lonely and sad.

**Kiara (1R)** for the way she comforted a friend who was upset.

**Ava (2S)** for the way she cares for others when they are feeling hurt or down.

**Alex (2M)** for the way he shows respect and kindness to everyone in the classroom.

**Angela (2K)** for the way she takes responsibility and displays positive classroom behaviour.
Sacrament Dates 2016: Important dates:
Here are the dates for the 2016 Sacramental celebration, please make a note in your 2016 diaries.

**Reconciliation**

Sign-up weekend – weekend of February 27th or February 28th
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.

Parent Child workshop evening – March 1st OR March 2nd
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend ONE of these evenings. Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

Second Rite of Reconciliation - March 15th or March 16th
Our Lady’s Church at 7.00pm
Students and families of children attend and the children make their First Reconciliation. There will be 2 grades on each evening, so you will only be attending ONE of these dates.

**First Eucharist**

Sign-up weekend – April 30th or May 1st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.

Presentation weekend – May 21st or May 22nd
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal and mass book

Parent Child workshop evening – May 17th OR May 18th
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend. Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

First Eucharist masses – June 5th
Either 12.30pm OR 2.30pm Students will be celebrating their First Eucharist in Our Lady’s Church at ONE of these times.

**Confirmation**

Sign-up weekend – July 30th OR July 31st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.

Parent Child workshop evening – August 3rd
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend. Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

Presentation weekend – August 20th OR August 21st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal.

Confirmation mass – August 28th at 3pm
3.00pm
Students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Kolbe Catholic C

BOOK SALES for 2016 book packs will be held on Wednesday 2nd December (Curriculum Day). We will be selling from 8:00am until 4:15pm. No books will be available for purchase after 2nd December for the remainder of 2015. (Please note time change)
YEAR 6 2016 WINDCHEATER ORDERS & money deadline has been extended to Wednesday 25th November. NO LATE ORDERS will be accepted. We will not be doing a second chance run this year, so to avoid disappointment please return your order before the due date.

THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER

PUPIL FREE DAY

IN OUR LADY'S CARE

will be operating from 6.30am-6.30pm

Child Care starts from $19.97 to $62.50 per child.

EXCURSION TO HOTYS - BROADMEADOWS

Movie to be advised

Movie - $10.00

Bus - $8.00

$7.50 Reg Popcorn & Softdrink

BYO LUNCH

Breakfast and afternoon tea will be provided. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.

We need a minimum of 30 children attending to operate the day! Please DO NOT leave it until last minute to book in. Any bookings made on and after Friday 11th December will incur an extra $5.00 casual rate. Any cancellations made on the day will incur a $20.00 per child charge.

PLEASE CALL: 9305 7024.

An excursion permission form must be completed.

CANTEEN

I will be taking some family leave for 3 weeks commencing next Monday. For canteen to operate, Tammie needs your help – just 2 hours either in the morning or afternoon. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Also, thank you to all the kind parents who came and saw me with kind words this week......MARY ANNE
FRIDAY 20 NOV $7 ENTRY

CRAIGIEBURN BLUE LIGHT

CRAIGIEBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL
81-97 GRAND BLVD, CRAIGIEBURN
6.30 - 8.30PM | GRADE 3 TO 6

CONTACT SERGEANT DALE WESSELMAN 9303 4433
NO DRUGS | NO ALCOHOL | NO SMOKING | NO PASS OUTS

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ASK YOUR PARENTS TO LIKE THE PAGE IF YOU ARE UNDER 13
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- New Windscreen
- New Tyres
- Mag Wheels
- Tinted Windows
- Air Conditioning
- Power Steering
- March 2016 Rego
- Full Service History
- Timing Belt Replaced

Available late December. Please call Susan 0432-724720